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SUBJECT

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to the Bulusu family by Sri K. Pattabhirama
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HYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session - March-April 1950

15. Pensions and Allowances.

9-A. The demand under the head "15. Pensions and Allowances" for Rs.40,35,000 be reduced by Re.1 (to raise a debate on the policy of the Government in continuing the pensions and allowances to the ruling family).

*Sri K. Puttaswamy (Mandya District - General)

To Asst. Secy. C B W C) &
+ Fd. 25/3

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1) The following provision is made in the Budget Estimates for 1950-51 for the payment of Pensions and Allowances to the Ruling Family

1. Rajakumari Leelavathiyavaru .. Rs. 40,000
2. " Chamarajammanniavaru .. Rs. 40,000
3. Yuvarajkumari Vijayalakshammanniavaru .. Rs. 40,000

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4. Yuvarajkumari Sujayakantkammaniarum .. Rs. 40,000

5. " Jayachamundammaniarum .. Rs. 40,000

6. Children of late Rajkumar C. Desaraj Urs:

1) Sri Prithviraj Urs. 12,000

2) " Desaraj Urs 8,000

3) " Gita Devi 5,000 .. Rs. 25,000.

2) The history of these pensions and allowances is not easy to trace, and the collections relating to them are not readily available. They have been continued for over fifty years now through two generations and have been reduced progressively in the course of transfer from one member of the family to another. The amount was – Rs. 80,000 in the case of the three Maharaj-kumaris during his late Highness's time, and on their demise, it was fixed at Rs. 40,000/-. for their daughters. This was further reduced on the demise of Rajkumar C. Desaraj Urs and now stands at Rs. 25,000 for his three children.

3) The grant of pensions and allowances to these members of the Ruling Family does not seem to be covered by any agreement with the Govt. of India. The expenditure is ~~met~~ debited to the general revenues of the State, and the amount of pension or allowance as the case may be has on each occasion been sanctioned by His Highness in his pleasure after informal Consultation with the Dewan.

Chief Secy)

4) Dewan 27.3.50

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5) Recd at 7.30 pm. The Secretary

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further matter for discussion of the covenant needs to be examined also.

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b) The Constitution does not seem to have any provision bearing on this matter. Art. 291 relates only to the Privy Purse sums of Rulers.

a) A Copy of the Privy Purse agreement is put up herewith. Sub-clause (2) of Art. I of the agreement refers to the Rulers' family but apparently the members of the Ruling family referred to in para 1 cannot be brought under this category.

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Chief Secy)
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Chief Minister

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Seen by the Hon. Chief Minister. The discussion on the Cut-Motion is over. This may be returned to the Asst. Secy. C.B.

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Asst Secy. C.B

Office of the Chief Minister
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Date of Receipt 30/3

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AGREEMENT made this Twenty-third day of January, 1950, between His Excellency the Governor-General of India and His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

WHEREAS it hasbeen decided that the Constitution of India, adopted by the Constituent Assembly of India shall be the Constitution for the State of Mysore as for the other parts of India and shall be enforced as such in accordance with the tenor of its provisions;

AND WHEREAS the Constituent Assembly of Mysore at its Sixth Session has recommended that the rights, privileges and dignities, including the dynastic succession and the privy purse, of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore shall be determined by agreement between him and the Government of India;

IT IS HEREBY agreed as follows:-

ARTICLE 1.

(1) The Maharaja of Mysore shall, with effect from the first day of April 1950, be entitled to receive annually for his privy purse the sum of Rs.26,00,000 /- (Rupees Twenty-six lakhs) free of all taxes;

Provided that the sum specified above shall be payable only to the present Maharaja of Mysore for his life-time, and not to his successors, for whom provision will be made subsequently by the Government of India.

(2) The said sum amount is intended to cover all the expenses of the Maharaja and his family including expenses on account of his personal staff, maintenance of his residences, marriages and other ceremonies, etc., and will neither be increased or reduced for any reason whatsoever.

(3) That said amount shall be payable to the Maharaja in four instalments at the beginning of each quarter in advance.

(4) The payment of the said amount as herein provided is guaranteed by the Government of India.

ARTICLE II.

(1) The Maharaja shall be entitled to the full ownership, use and enjoyment of all private properties (as distinct from State properties) belonging to him on the date of this agreement.

(2) The Maharaja will furnish to the Government of India before the Twenty-third day of January 1950, an inventory of all the immoveable property, securities and cash balances held by him as such private property.

(3) If any dispute arises as to whether any item of property is the private property of the Maharaja of State property, it shall be referred to such person as the Government of India may nominate and the decision of that person shall be final and binding on all concerned.

ARTICLE III.

The Maharaja and the members of his family shall be entitled to all the personal privileges, dignities and titles enjoyed by them whether within or outside the territories of the State immediately before the fifteenth day of August 1947.

ARTICLE IV.

The Government of India guarantees the succession according to law and custom to the gaddi of the State and to the personal rights, privileges, dignities and titles of the Maharaja.

In confirmation whereof, Secretary to the Government of India in the Ministry of States has appended his signature on behalf and with the authority of the Governor-General of India and His Highness Sir Sri Jaya Chamaraja Wadiyar Bahadur, Maharaja of Mysore, has appended his signature on behalf of himself, his heirs and successors.

(SD) JAYA CHAMARAJA WADIYAR.
MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

(SD) V.P.MENON,
SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
IN THE MINISTRY OF STATES.

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